

In the Specification:

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--The present invention, as illustrated in Fig. 22, overcomes the changeover problem by modularizing the flitch retaining apparatus. In particular, a modular assembly 280 includes a table segment 282, shown in cross-section, and a flitch table 286, also shown in cross-section, and means 284 for coupling the assembly 280 table segment 282 to a the flitch table 286. The means 284 for coupling the table segment 282 to the flitch table 286 comprises a tongue and groove arrangement, which includes tongues 296 formed on the sides of the table segment 282 and a grooves 298 formed in the inside surfaces of the flitch table 286 to receive the tongues 296 of the table segment 282, as shown in Fig. 22. The resulting modular assembly 280 includes a mounting surface 288, formed to include pin dog-receiving apertures 290 and pusher pin receiving slots 232, and a back surface 294 formed to include a pusher bar-receiving channel 228.--

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--As shown in Fig. 22, the means 284 for coupling the ~~modular assembly 280~~ table segment 282 to the table 286 includes a tongues 296 formed on the assembly 280 in table segment 282 and a complementary grooves 298 sized and configured to receive the tongues 296. The tongue and groove arrangement permits easy installation and removal of the modular assembly 280. In changeover, the table segment 282 is positioned so that its tongues 296 can enter and slide into the grooves 298 formed in flitch table 286, thus coupling the table segment 282 to the flitch table 286. Although a tongue and groove arrangement is shown, it will be appreciated that other mechanisms, such as fasteners and retainers, can be used to couple the modular assembly to the table.--